

Appl. No: 10/717,144
Amdt. dated: July 27, 2007
Reply to Office Action of: June 27, 2007

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has stated that Claims 1-23 are pending in the present application and has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. 121 to one of the following Groups of Claims:

- I. Claim 14, drawn to a catalyst, classified in class 502.
- II. Claims 15-17, drawn to electrode and electronic system, classified in class 204, subclass 280.
- III. Claim 18, drawn to a mechanical system, classified in class 252.
- IV. Claim 19-21, drawn to emission tip, classified in class 600.
- V. Claim 22, drawn to a prove [sic], classified in class 600.
- VI. Claim 23, drawn to a three dimensional object, classified in class 252.

Applicants note the absence of Claims 1-13 from any of the Groups identified by the Examiner. Applicants assume that the Examiner intended Claims 1-13 to be included in Group I. If this is not the case, Applicants respectfully request a revised Office Action from the Examiner.

Based on the assumption that the Examiner intended Group I to include Claims 1-14, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to proceed with examination on the merits of intended Group I, Claims 1-14. Claims 15-23 are hereby withdrawn as being drawn to non-elected inventions. Applicants reserve the right to withdraw this election if the Examiner revises his Restriction Requirement to form different Groups of Claims.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for examination on the merits.

Please charge any additional fees, including fees for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 120690.

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